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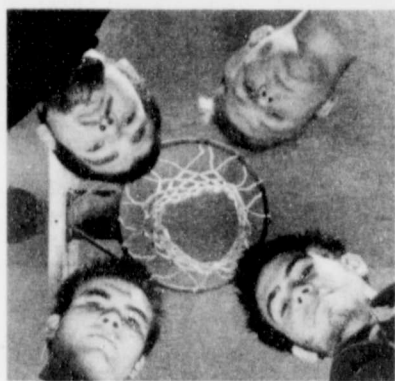
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Oracle e-mail service down

Caitlin Donnell
MUSTANG DAILY

As students and faculty may have noticed, Cal Poly's e-mail service, Oracle, was down throughout Wednesday and has been experiencing technical difficulties for some time.

In an open letter to the campus community, Tim Kearns, the vice provost and chief information officer for Cal Poly's Information Technology Services (ITS), explained that the service has been frustrating and problematic for campus users of the Oracle e-mail and calendar systems for the past few weeks.

"The systems have not been stable or reliable since ITS staff applied an Oracle-recommended security upgrade on Jan. 29," Kearns said in the letter. "This caused our current problems which we have not been successful in isolating and fixing. We regret the inconvenience it has caused the campus community."

According to the Cal Poly System Status Web site, e-mail and calendar services from Oracle have been unavailable since 6 a.m. Wednesday. The site stated ITS has gathered information about how the system is failing and that Oracle is helping resolve the problem. The cause is under investigation.

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STUDENTS VOTE ON IRA WEDNESDAY AND TODAY



NICK COURTY MUSTANG DAILY

Lauren Mount, a communication studies freshman, votes for the IRA fee referendum upstairs in the University Union on Wednesday evening. Voting was steady since noon on Wednesday, and trailed off after 6 p.m., said Trudy Jarratt, the president of The League of Women Voters. "I voted 'yes,' because it helps a lot of programs like Orchesis," said Raniel Camacho, a mechanical engineering junior. The polls will be open on Thursday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the UU, Fischer Science foyer, Kennedy Library, Erhart Agriculture and Campus Market. Other locations include the upstairs in the UU and in the foyer of the education building from 9 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Students report symptoms of whooping cough in Sierra Madre

Kristen Oato
MUSTANG DAILY

For the first time in several years, a case of pertussis, commonly known as whooping cough, was reported in Sierra Madre dorms early last week.

San Luis Obispo County Public Health Department diagnosed a male freshman with the highly contagious respiratory infection. According to Vice President for Student Affairs Cornel Morton, the student's friends called authorities in concern. Shortly after, the student was taken to Sierra Vista Hospital.

Housing officials moved the student to an isolated room in Yosemite Hall, where he was treated with antibiotics. The residence hall staff delivered all meals, coursework and other necessary items to the student, according to a press release.

Since the diagnosis, campus officials have alerted the student population and gave a list of symptoms to watch out for. The student's classmates and other on-campus residents were specifically notified and letters were

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The quest for the perfect smoothie results in 'The Travis'

Jennifer Hall
MUSTANG DAILY

Just imagine, you just got out of your 9 a.m. class, you're hungry and the sun is shining. You head to Lucy's Juice Too and order your favorite smoothie, The Travis, and relax on Dexter Lawn before your next class.

As you're sitting there reading over your notes, you start to wonder who all those smoothies are named after? How did this delicious mix of fruits and juices called The Travis come to be?

The answer: It was an experiment.

Back in the spring of 2004, Travis Thompson, a general engineering junior at the time, was drinking Lucy's Juice smoothies three to four

times a week.

"I love smoothies because they are a really good snack, or even a meal if it's big enough," said Thompson, now a senior.

At the time, Thompson's favorite

to create his own smoothie.

"The first thing they made me do was try an 'everything' smoothie," Thompson said. "It wasn't very good. It didn't really taste like anything."

Thompson's usual smoothie, The Joey, was a combination of guava juice, peaches, bananas and vanilla frozen yogurt.

"I knew I liked the guava juice and was pretty sure I liked peaches," he said. "So I just tried everything else with it."

Thompson would tell the Lucy's Juice Too employees what to try each time and they would then experiment with each new combination.

"He came in to try to perfect it," said Erica Francis, a recreation

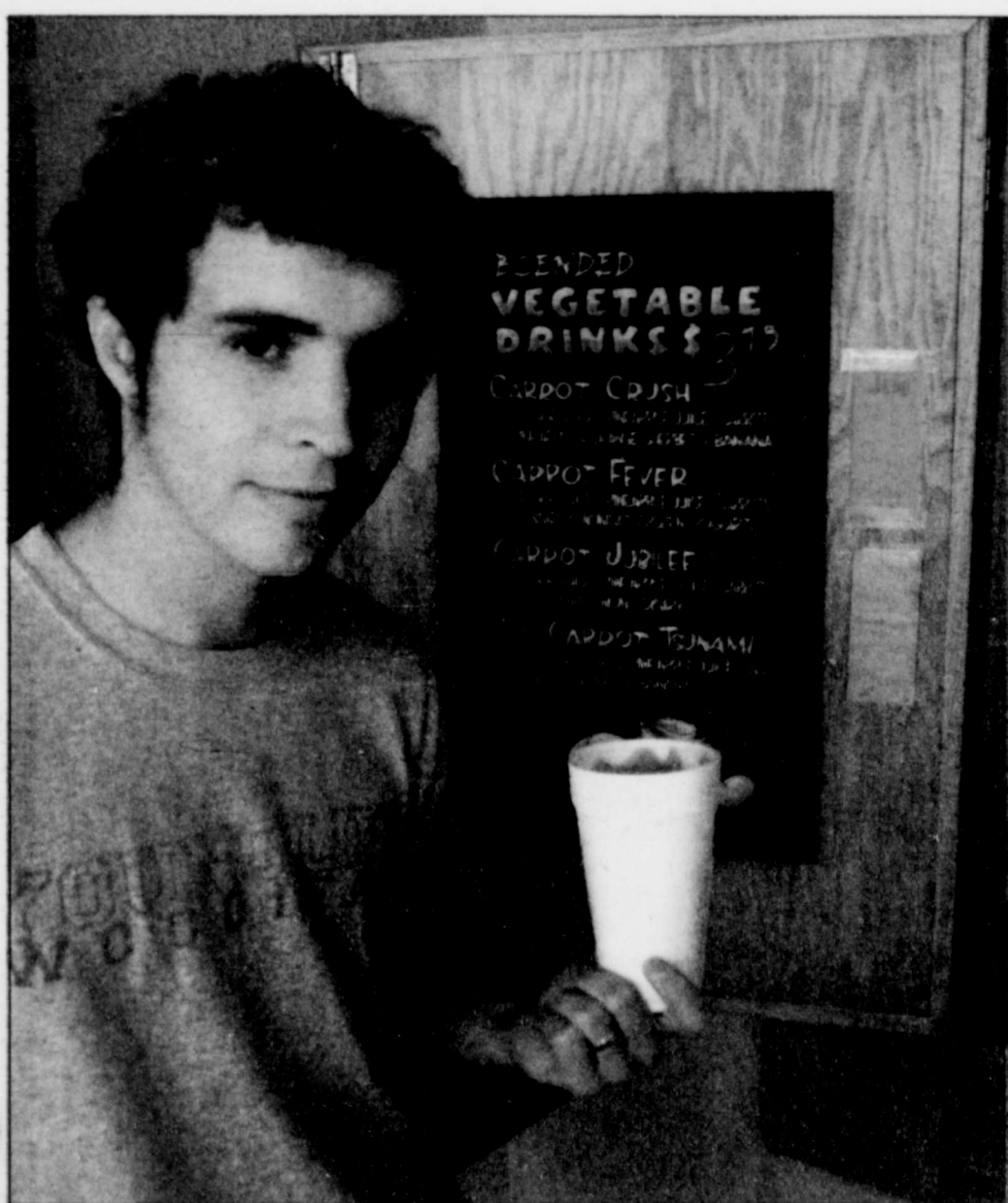
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The Travis smoothie includes Travis' favorite ingredients: guava juice, peaches, strawberries, raspberry sherbet and vanilla frozen yogurt.

smoothie was The Joey.

"It was good, but it didn't have any 'tanginess.' I started to wonder if it could be improved," Thompson said.

So he made a deal with the employees at Lucy's Juice Too to try



NICHOLAS CAMACHO MUSTANG DAILY

Travis Thompson blended his favorite ingredients together to create his perfect version of a smoothie that is served at Lucy's Too.

Oracle

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The site, which provides current central systems information, is continually updating the status of the services. In addition to the recent unexpected problems with the Oracle e-mail and calendar services, the site provides information about regularly scheduled system down times when ITS works on the system.

The letter from Kearns also stated that ITS will continue to work with Oracle to resolve the existing problems. Changes in the future include procedures for making upgrades and responding to problems, adding hardware and simplifying the e-mail system for better reliability and reducing its dependence on other systems, the letter stated.

ITS also plans to provide additional Oracle services in the future such as calendar, online files and collaboration software to the whole campus, all of which will enable Cal Poly to have "a suite of highly effective and reliable tools to facilitate learning and working here," the letter stated.

"ITS is making a renewed commitment to provide more reliable service and to better communicate with the campus community," Kearns stated in the letter. "I regret that we did not communicate with users earlier about the problems we were experiencing. Our hope was that they would be temporary, but our lack of warning to users caused unnecessary frustration."

ITS advisory information is available at 756-7000 and to check for system status updates, visit <http://www.systemstatus.calpoly.edu/>.

Smoothie

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senior and Lucy's Juice Too employee.

It was not an easy process. Thompson tried over seven combinations before he found the perfect one.

"It continued to get better and better," Thompson said.

The employees at Lucy's would give him advice as well.

"He'd try different fruits and juices," Francis said. "He was the genius behind it."

Finally, the day came when the ideal smoothie was created. The final ingredients were guava juice, peaches, strawberries, raspberry sherbet and vanilla frozen yogurt.

"When I tasted The Travis as it is now I knew I was done," Thompson said.

He thought the raspberry sherbet made it too tangy, but the vanilla frozen yogurt made it too sweet. "It was the mix of the sherbet and the yogurt that really made it," Thompson said.

Two years later, The Travis is still one of the most popular smoothies at Lucy's Juice Too, according to employees.

"Nobody's ever told me that they didn't like it," Thompson said.

Lucy's Juice Too is located next to Dexter Lawn and is open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

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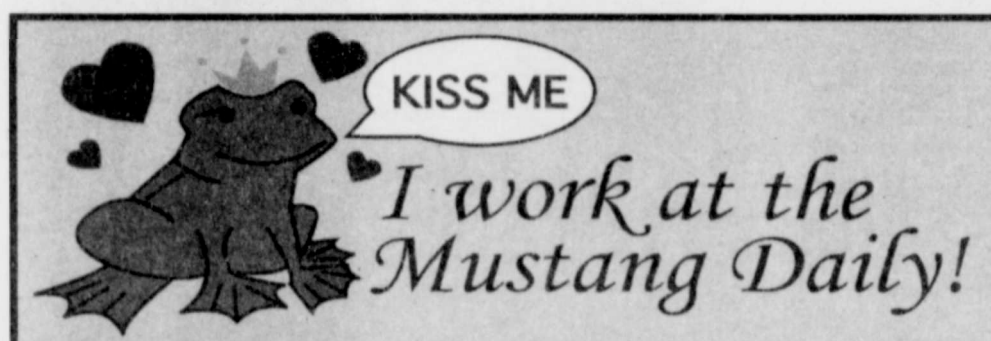
sent out to parents.

At least 30 other students living in Sierra Madre have reported symptoms similar to those diagnosed with whooping cough. Campus officials quarantined the students and treated them with a course of antibiotics.

"The treatment lasted five days, and the students reporting symptoms are currently able to attend classes," Morton said.

Morton also added that there have been no additional reports of whooping cough on campus.

To find out more information on symptoms or treatments, contact county health authorities at 781-5500.



Maryland students create Uflipit: A new online marketplace

Sara Lerner
DAILY TROJAN (USC)

LOS ANGELES — If you've contemplated investing anytime soon, here is your inside tip. Uflipit.com, the just barely month-old creation of University of Maryland students Jarrad Lewis and Greg Soroka, is picking up steam and fast.

The site is a virtual marketplace for college students all over the country to trade anything from textbooks to couches to beer pong tables (no joke).

Old books and party goods don't excite you? How about a fraternity brother? Again, no joke — Eric and Jarrad, two students at New York University, will dine with you for \$10 a pop.

Perhaps causing the most stir is the ability to purchase class notes, old essays and even presentations off another user that can be instantly uploaded and downloaded to or from your desktop.

The service, Lewis insisted, does not accept old quizzes and exams, distinguishing that a student's notes are their property, with which they should be able to do as they wish.

"At the end of the semester, you take an entire notebook's worth of essays and notes that you worked really hard on and you just throw it out. Why not try to sell it to somebody else who could use them?"

Lewis said.

The site has yet to receive any complaints from administrations, but Lewis said he definitely could foresee controversy on the issue.

"If you have a paper on the Civil War, you go onto Google and find a hundred thousand sites and take what you want, change the words around and call it your own. This is no different," he said.

"We stress and can't stress enough that this service is provided as a reference. The point is not to sell it for \$100 as a hot commodity. You put it into our system, users can download a copy for five bucks a piece and you continue to make money off your work."

Lewis also maintains that by registering as a member for the site, you are consenting to their terms and conditions, agreeing that you will not use any of their products for plagiarism and, "if you do, well pardon my French, but you're an idiot." But even better than nude mail-order dates is the fact that absolutely everything about the service is 100 percent free.

"We hope to let college students make money, not lose it," Soroka said. The site allows you to become a member at no charge, simply with a university e-mail address, and allows students to trade items through their own university to avoid shipping charges.

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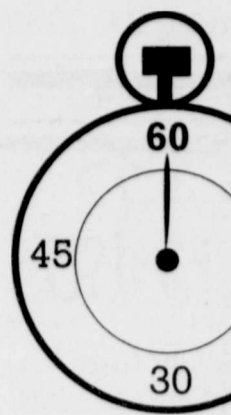
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The real power behind whatever success I have now was something I found within myself — something that's in all of us, I think, a little piece of God just waiting to be discovered.

— Tina Turner, "O Magazine," December 2003

There is no abstract art. You must always start with something. Afterward you can remove all traces of reality.

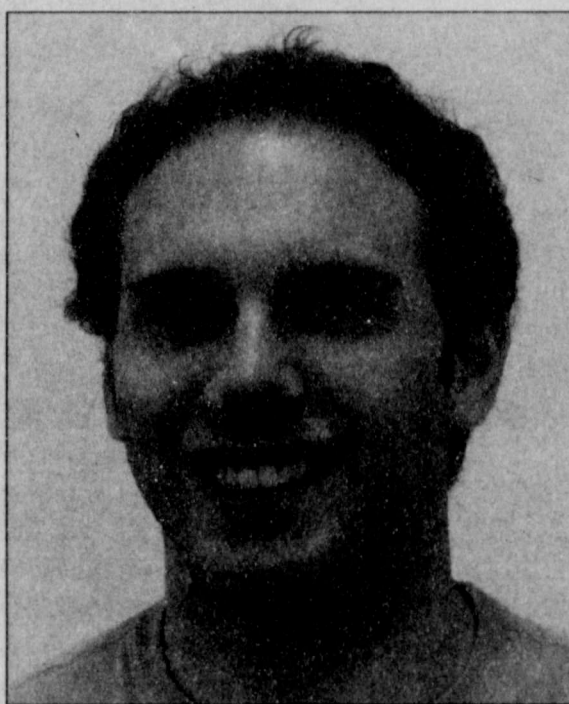
— Pablo Picasso

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The Face of



Cal Poly

Name: Johnny Stryker Wolff Jr. • **Year:** senior
Hometown: Roseville • **Major:** business administration

Favorites

Movie: "Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade"

Food item: Baby cows

Favorite UFC champion: "The Iceman"

Jamaican bobsled team movie: Undecided

Favorite quote: I'm Ron Burgundy?

If ...

— the moon was made of barbecue spareribs, would you eat it? I'd polish it off with a nice cold Budweiser.

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National briefs

PROVIDENCE, R.I. (AP)

Three former makers of lead paint created a public nuisance that continues to poison children, a jury decided Wednesday in the state's landmark lawsuit against the companies. The verdict means the companies that once made lead paint and pigment could be held responsible for millions of dollars in cleanup and mitigation costs, although the state never put a dollar value on its lawsuit.

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DETROIT (AP)

Kid Rock has won an initial victory in his attempt to stop a California company from releasing an explicit sex video featuring the rapper, former Creed singer Scott Stapp and four women.

U.S. District Court Judge John Feikens in Detroit signed a temporary order that stops David Joseph and his World Wide Red Light District company from distributing or promoting any portion of the tape, including a 40-second preview clip of the video that was previously displayed on Red Light District's Web sites.

On Tuesday, Kid Rock's lawyers sued Red Light, which made headlines in 2004 by distributing the Paris Hilton sex video, accusing the firm of violating Kid Rock's trademark and privacy rights. The lawsuit seeks a permanent court order halting sale or distribution of the video.

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DIXON, Ill. (AP)

A teenage girl was convicted Wednesday in the killing of a 16-year-old classmate after the two got into a fight over boys and of helping saw the body into pieces and hide the remains.

Sarah Kolb, 17, faces of up to 60 years in prison.

The victim, Adrienne Reynolds, had just moved to East Moline from Texas about two months before the killing. Prosecutors said she was just trying to fit in at a new school but picked the wrong friend.

On Jan. 21, 2005, Kolb, Reynolds and schoolmate Cory Gregory were in Kolb's car at a fast-food restaurant when the fight began. Reynolds was killed and her body was burned, dismembered and hidden in two counties.

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NEW YORK (AP)

A New York City man has been hospitalized with a case of anthrax that a federal law enforcement official said may have been contracted from animal skins during a visit to Africa.

The infection appeared to be accidental, and authorities did not believe it was related to terrorism, the official said.

The man traveled recently to the west coast of Africa and became ill shortly after his return, said a federal law enforcement official, speaking to The Associated Press on condition of anonymity.

It was not clear how the man came into contact with the deadly substance, but aides to Mayor Michael Bloomberg said it was related to his job as a drummer and that federal and city officials traced the exposure to New York City after the man became ill in Pennsylvania.

White House: Bush did not know about ports deal until after it had been approved

Ted Bridis

ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — President Bush was unaware of the pending sale of shipping operations at six major U.S. seaports to a state-owned business in the United Arab Emirates until the deal already had been approved by his administration, the White House said Wednesday.

Defending the deal anew, the administration also said that it should have briefed Congress sooner about the transaction, which has triggered a major political backlash among both Republicans and Democrats.

Bush on Tuesday brushed aside objections by leaders in the Senate and House that the \$6.8 billion sale could raise risks of terrorism at American ports. In a forceful defense of his administration's earlier approval of the deal, he pledged to veto any bill Congress might approve to block the agreement involving the sale of a British company to the Arab firm.

Bush faces a rebellion from leaders of his own party, as well as from Democrats, about the deal that would put Dubai Ports in charge of major shipping operations in New York, New Jersey, Baltimore, New Orleans, Miami and Philadelphia.

While Bush has adamantly defended the deal, the White House acknowledged that he did not know about it until recently.

"He became aware of it over the last several days," McClellan said. Asked if Bush did not know about it until it was a done deal, McClellan said, "That's correct." He said the matter did not rise to the presidential level, but went through a congressionally-mandated review process and was determined not to pose a national security threat.

"The president made sure to check with all the Cabinet secretaries that are part of this process, or whose agencies or departments are part of this process," the spokesman said. "He made sure to check with them — even after this got more attention in the press, to make sure that they were comfortable with the decision that was made."

"And every one of the Cabinet secretaries expressed that they were comfortable with this transaction being approved," he said.

Commerce Secretary Carlos Guterrez, told The Associated Press in an interview: "They are not in charge of security. We are not turning over the security of our ports. When people make statements like that you get an instant emotional reaction."



A truck exits the Port Newark Container Terminal (PNCT), on Wednesday in Newark, N.J. President Bush was unaware of the pending sale of shipping operations at Port Newark and five other major U.S. seaports until the deal already had been approved by his administration, the White House said Wednesday.

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Treasury Secretary John Snow said failure to complete the transaction would send the wrong message overseas.

"The implications of failing to approve this would be to tell the world that investments in the United States from certain parts of the world aren't welcome," Snow told reporters Wednesday following a speech in Connecticut to a fuel cell manufacturer. "That sends a terrible message."

The sale's harshest critics were not appeased.

"I will fight harder than ever for this legislation, and if it is vetoed I will fight as hard as I can to override it," said Rep. Pete King, R-N.Y., chairman of the Homeland Security Committee. King and Democratic Sen. Charles Schumer of New York said they will introduce emergency legislation to suspend the ports deal.

Another Democrat, Sen. Bob Menendez of New Jersey, urged his colleagues to force Bush to wield his veto, which Bush — in his sixth year in office — has never done. "We should really test the resolve of the

president on this one because what we're really doing is securing the safety of our people."

McClellan dismissed any connection between the deal and David Sanborn of Virginia, a former senior DP World executive whom the White House appointed last month to be the new administrator of the Maritime Administration of the Transportation Department. Sanborn worked as DP World's director of operations for Europe and Latin America.

"My understanding is that he has assured us that he was not involved in the negotiations to purchase this British company," McClellan added.

"In terms of David Sanborn, he was nominated to run the Maritime Administration because of his experience and expertise," the spokesman said. Sanborn is a graduate of the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy. He is an operations professional.

Earlier, several lawmakers determined to capsize the pending sale said they would not be deterred by Bush's veto threat.

Sen. Joseph Biden, D-Del., said the bipartisan opposition to the deal indicated "a lack of confidence in the administration" on both sides. "Sure, we have to link up with our Arab friends but ... we want to see and those in Congress want to know what ... safeguards are built in," Biden said on ABC's "Good Morning America."

Bush's veto threat sought to quiet a political storm that has united Republican governors and Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist of Tennessee with liberal Democrats, including New York Sens. Hillary Rodham Clinton and Schumer.

To assuage concerns, the administration disclosed some assurances it negotiated with Dubai Ports. It required mandatory participation in U.S. security programs to stop smuggling and detect illegal shipments of nuclear materials; roughly 33 other port companies participate in these voluntarily. The Coast Guard also said it was nearly finished inspecting Dubai Ports' facilities in the United States.

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Bush: India should separate civilian, military nuclear programs

Deb Riechmann
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WASHINGTON — President Bush urged India on Wednesday to separate its civilian and military nuclear programs and assure the world that it will be a good steward of nuclear material needed to fuel its fast-growing economy.

In previewing his upcoming trip to the country, Bush also said Americans should not fear United States jobs going to India. If American companies are competitive, that will translate into more jobs for U.S. workers and farmers, he said.

"Young Indians are acquiring a taste for pizza from Domino's and Pizza Hut," he said.

The president, who also is visiting Pakistan early next month, also called for an end to violent protests there over the publication of cartoons of Prophet Muhammad.

"We must not allow mobs to dictate the future of South Asia," the president said about the protests that have taken on an anti-government dimension. "Governments have an obligation to restore the rule of law."

Bush spoke of growing ties between India and the United States on agriculture, economic and energy, specifically the landmark agree-

ment to share civilian nuclear technology that Bush and Indian Prime Minister Manmohan Singh announced in July 2005.

"This is not an easy decision for India, nor is it an easy decision for the United States," Bush said. "Implementing this agreement will take patience from both our countries."

Bush, who spoke at the Asia Society, said he would continue to encourage India to create a credible, transparent and defensible plan to separate its civilian and military nuclear programs.

The deal, which Congress has not yet approved, is seen as a cornerstone of the emerging alliance between India and the United States, as well as an effort to balance China's growing economic and political influence in Asia.

"By following through on our commitments, we'll bring India's civil nuclear program into international mainstream and strengthen the bonds of trust between our two nations," Bush said.

Undersecretary of State Nicholas Burns is to visit India this week to continue talks on the agreement and possibly finalize them before Bush leaves for India Feb. 28.

Eight meat processing plant workers claim record \$365 million lottery jackpot

Kevin O'Hanlon
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LINCOLN, Neb. — Eight workers at a Nebraska meat processing plant claimed the record \$365 million Powerball jackpot Wednesday that, if split evenly, would give each about \$15.5 million after taxes.

The seven men and one woman all work at a ConAgra ham processing plant near the U-Stop convenience store where they bought the winning ticket last week for Saturday's lottery.

They ended up with the biggest jackpot in United States lottery history.

"I didn't know what to think," said Robert Stewart, 30, who said he was a maintenance supervisor before the win. "I still don't know what to think."

The previous U.S. lottery jackpot record was \$363 million for the Big Game, the forerunner of Mega Millions. Powerball's previous record jackpot, \$340 million, was won by an Oregon family in October.

At least three of the winners Wednesday are immigrants.

Quang Dao, 56, who like Dung Tran, 34, came to the U.S. from Vietnam about 16 years ago, said he was looking for freedom when he headed for America. Speaking in broken English, he said the lottery would change his family's life



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The eight winners of the Powerball Lottery pose with their individual checks in Lincoln, Neb. on Wednesday.

back in Vietnam.

Alain Maboussou, a 26-year-old who fled war in Africa's Republic of Congo, said he planned return to school to work on a degree in business administration.

"I'm going to be working for myself now," Maboussou said. He said his three-month-old daughter, Katherine, "is going to be happy for the rest of her life."

The winners said they and others often pooled their money together when the jackpots reached \$40 million or so.

"I don't think they have a reason to be jealous," Maboussou said of

the rest of his colleagues, "because when it's a pool day, we ask people to put like in five bucks, so if you wasn't there or you didn't put five bucks in, sorry."

Only three winners quit their jobs when they hit the jackpot. One them, Michael Terpstra, 47, said he wasn't sure what he was going to do with the money.

"Everybody has dreams," he said. "Buy an island. Buy an airplane. In reality, I'm not a fan of flying and don't really like water."

The other winners were identified as David Gehle, 53; Chasity Rutjens, 29; and Eric Zornes, 40.

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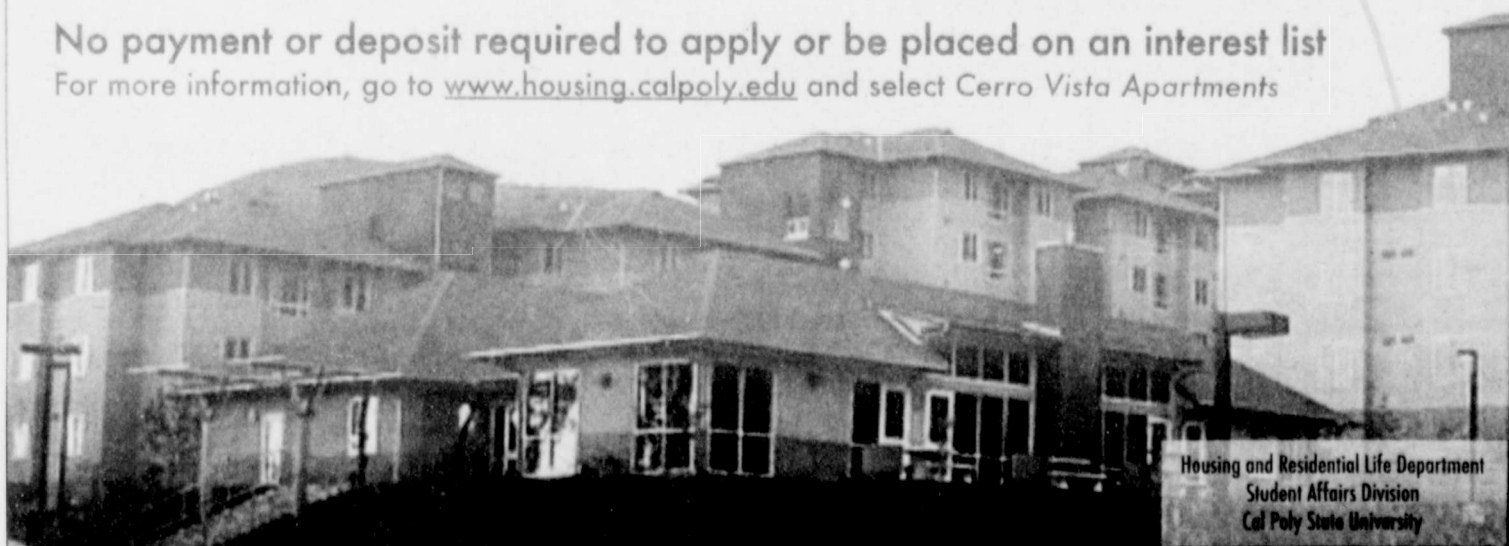
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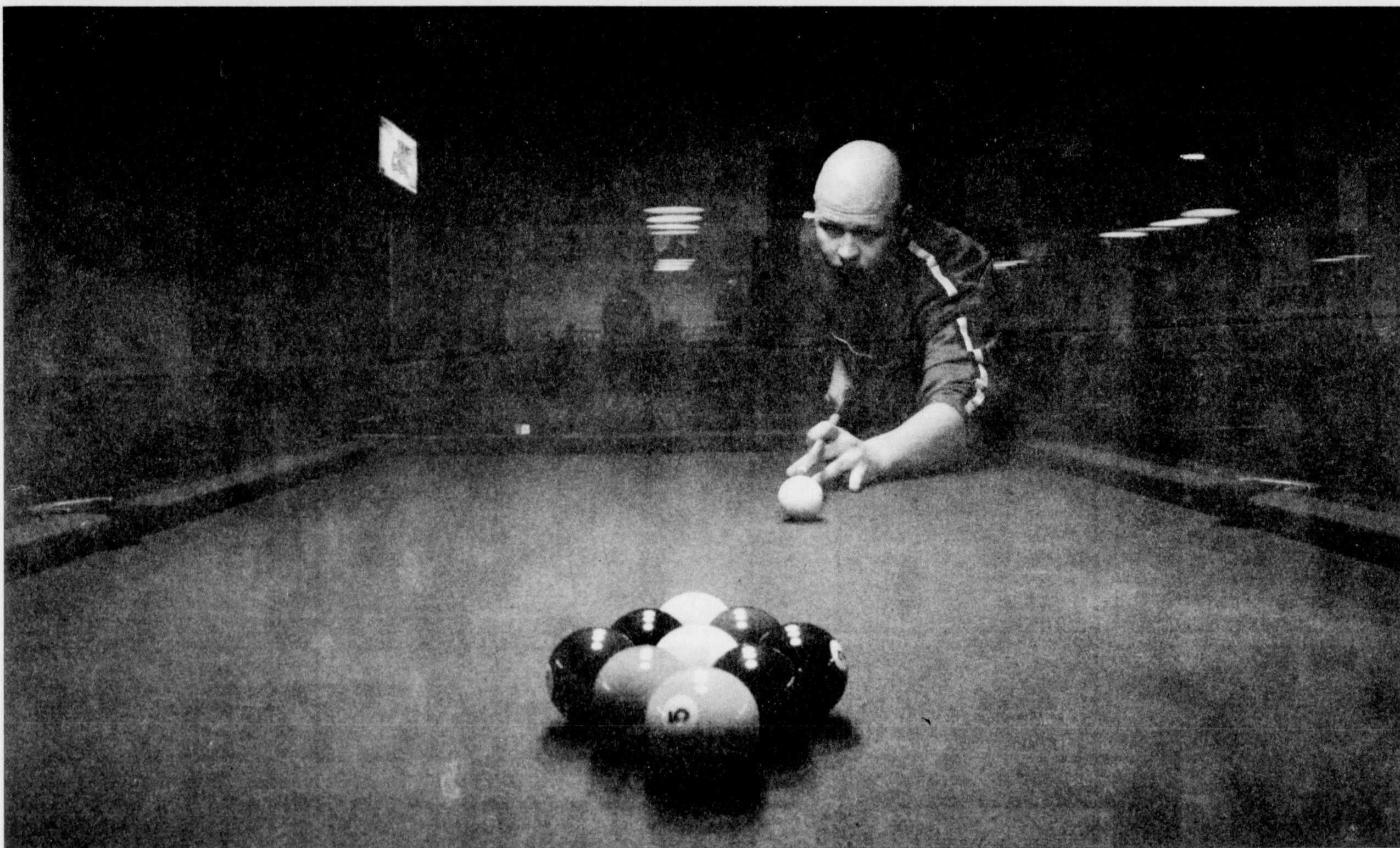
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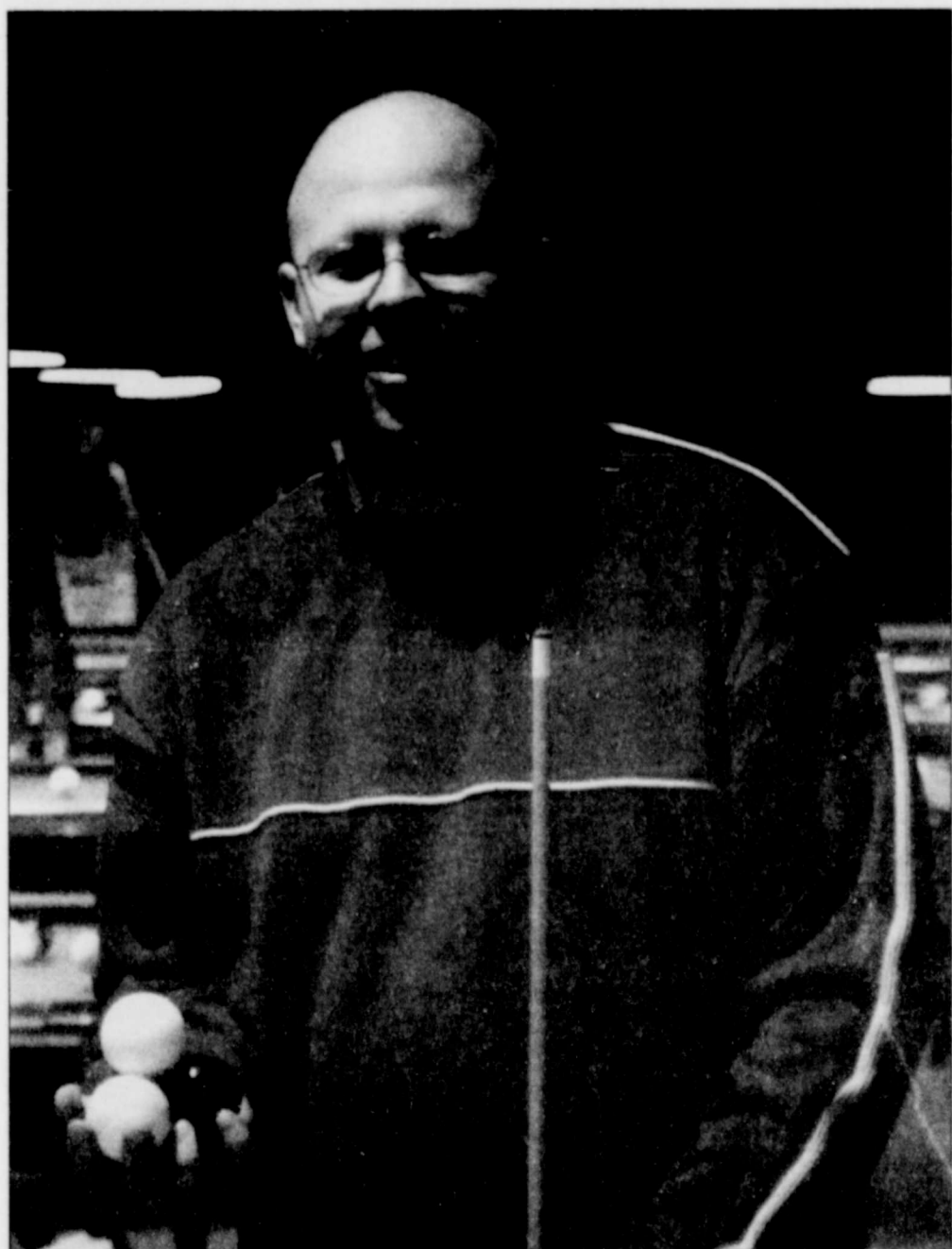
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Sam Chew, electrical engineering and physics senior, will be the billiards instructor next quarter and hopes to expose more people to the sport of pool.

Jennifer Hall
MUSTANG DAILY

Billiards classes will now be offered to Cal Poly students through Mustang Lanes in the University Union this year.

The professor for PE 107, the billiards class, decided to introduce activity classes in fall 2005.

"Activity classes are an attempt to get more people in here and exposed to games," said Sam Chew, a Cal Poly electrical engineering and physics senior who will be the billiards instructor.

Mustang Lanes offered three types of billiards classes this quarter: strategy, games and competition. Each class focuses on a different aspect of billiards.

"People haven't heard of rotation, straight ball, one pocket," Chew said. "We thought it'd be fun to teach them that stuff."

Chew has been teaching billiards at Cal Poly for seven years. He began with one PE class and now teaches three PE classes and all the activity classes.

"I teach this stuff because I like to and I'm looking for people who want to play," Chew said.

Currently, there are 10 students participating in the classes that are offered twice a week. It costs \$32 for the eight-week course.

"The people who are doing it are really enjoying it," Chew said. "It's real relaxed."

I'm trying to encourage people to play the game however they want to.

—Sam Chew
billiards instructor

The activity classes are designed to be more informal like the Craft Center classes, whereas many as PE classes are modeled after the kinesiology classes.

"The activity classes were meant to be more of a fun thing," Chew said. "It's an opportunity to find information that someone is seeking."

One of the main things that stu-

dents wanted was guaranteed table time, games to play and people to play with.

The activity classes provide all of these things for what works out to be \$2 an hour.

"We're trying to expose people to some new billiard games," Chew said. "And encourage the community to grow and offer whatever help they need."

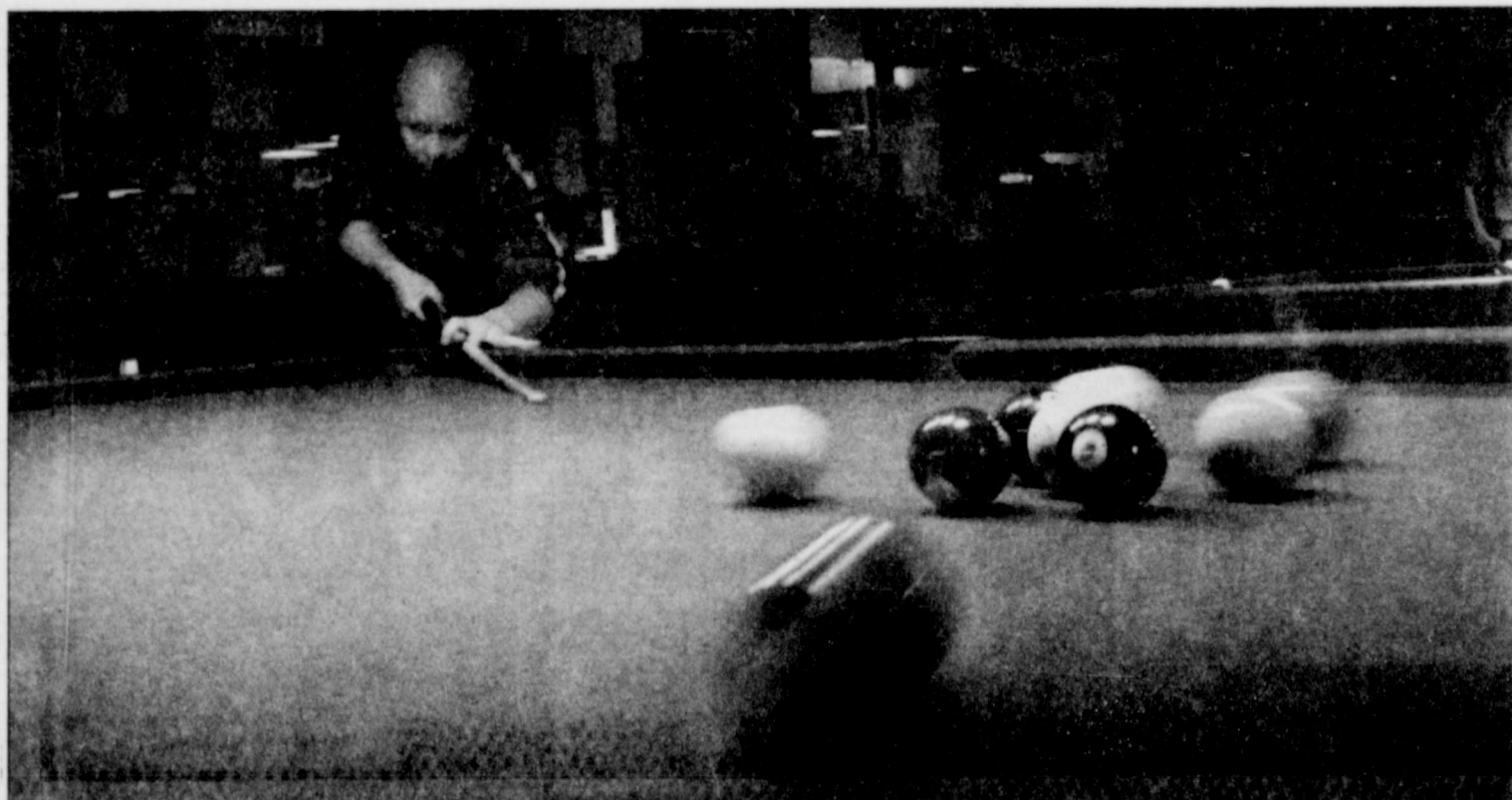
Billiards is weak on the West Coast and he wants to build it up as a sport, Chew said.

"It's a passion of mine. I have aspirations to create a school on the West Coast," Chew said.

Chew is hoping to stay around Cal Poly for at least

one more year to continue to build up the billiards community in San Luis Obispo. Next quarter Mustang Lanes will offer billiards activity classes four nights a week.

"In the future we're going to generalize it a little more," Chew said. "I'm trying to encourage people to play the game however they want to."



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REGGIE AND THE FULL EFFECT



I was in the mood for love, and Reggie definitely hit the spot.

Of course, the alcohol, the partial nudity and the funky chicken also added to the debauchery.

But beer or no beer, Reggie and the Full Effect was in full effect Tuesday night at Downtown Brew.

In the midst of their nation-wide tour, Reggie made its first-ever appearance in San Luis Obispo and played classic hits like "Girl, Why'd You Run Away" and "From Me 2 U."

The crowd was treated to "special guest" bands — also known as Reggie's other personalities — Fluxuation and Common Denominator, who finished the show off with such hilarious tracks as "Dwarf Invasion."

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Reggie and the Full Effect rocked the Downtown Brew stage Tuesday night to promote their newest release 'Songs Not To Get Married To.'

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This famous line from "Silence of the Lambs" describes wine culture at its finest.

San Luis Obispo is located on the California Central Coast with an abundance of wineries and vineyards ranging in all tastes, from the Cabernet Sauvignons of Paso Robles to the Syrah's of Santa Ynez.

Wineries in southern SLO County were put on the map with the Oscar-winning film "Sideways," which detailed two friends in wine-immersed weekends in the Central Valley. The movie also sparked change in the world of current chic wines.

Merlots were of an older generation, full-bodied to match couples in their mid-40s living in classic suburbia, but thanks to "Sideways," the Pinot Noir grape has moved into the limelight.

A good wine goes well with a good cheese. For me, there is really

crumbly parmesan in a big block from Costco. When you eat a slice with a sip of a nice red wine, the tastes and colors mix in your mouth like heaven.

Personally, my two favorite wines are a rich merlot, or a very smooth zinfandel. My choice for a good Zin is a bottle of Francis Coppola Black Label Zinfandel. It is \$12 at Trader Joe's, which has one of the best wine selections available at affordable prices, (just stay away from "two-buck chuck," and you'll be OK).

Trader Joe's is not the only store in town with an exquisite wine selection. If you care to shell out the \$40 for a Costco membership, you are presented with the best

selection of local wines, all at fractions of the price of the valley wineries.

The classy vino drinker has wine glasses of various shapes and sizes for maximum taste for your grape. White grape wines call for a tall glass with a small-brimmed diameter, similar to that of a champagne glass, so the bubbles do not wear off too soon.

In the market, there is a much larger variety of red wines over white, and a shorter glass, with a larger bowl, is necessary to swirl for tastes. Swirling wines help determine "legs," or the amount of alcohol seen in the way the wine drips down the inside of the glass.

A non-food item that goes well with wine is classic jazz music. There's nothing I like better than sitting on my couch and drinking a nice red wine, while "Bitch's Brew" spins the wild trumpet of the late-great Miles Davis. The only thing I could ask for would be a special short-haired girl to share the evening with, drinking wine and groovin' to the man with the horn.

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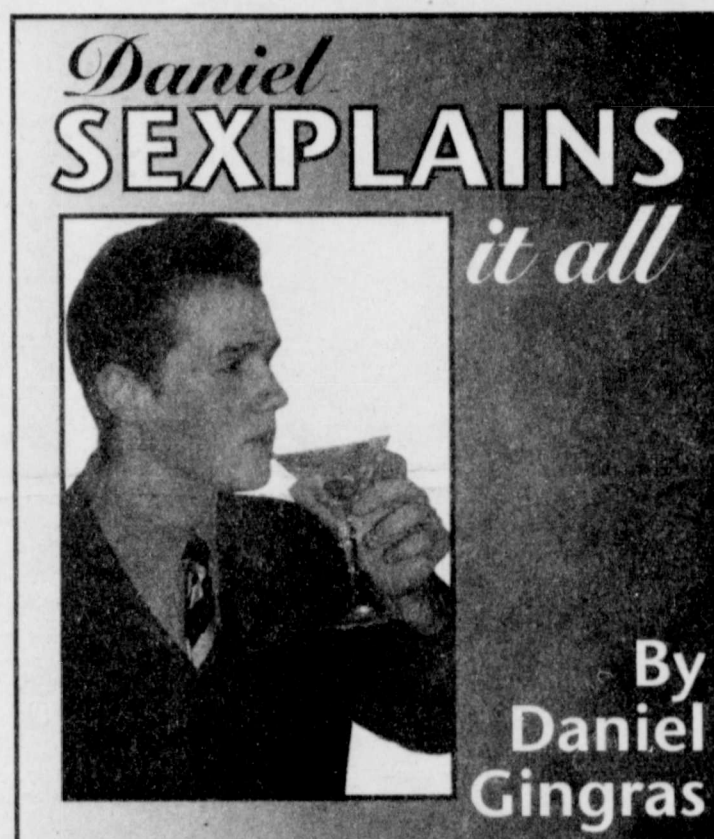
Love's like a little kid in an arcade

Famed rapper Mase spat that "Love Ain't Cheap." Sir Paul McCartney screamed that "Money Can't Buy Me Love," and then this one time in Canada my high school buddy boned a hooker for a hundred bucks.

I can't speak for the three of them, but the dollar bills I keep in my wallet have this natural tendency to escape and gravitate towards women. In fact, as a man in the meeting, dating and mating game, it reminds me a lot of what it was to be a little boy in the video game arcade, blowing my allowance. First, I step into the arcade, become paralyzed in place, and stare at different choices, drooling over the possibilities. I carefully consider which arcade game I want to play first. Then, across the room, next to the Ms. Pacman machine with the long legs, I spot her: Space Invaders. But I can't just cram dollar bills in it, they'll get stuck and break the machine.

First, I'll have to find a token dispenser and convert my hard earned dollar bills into a currency more useful to the game, and much more worthless in real life.

Speaking of real life, you will find you have marginal success thrusting raw-dollar bills into the faces of real women. Though it works just fine once you are in the stages of a committed relationship, until then you must court them with things. Girls love it when you wander about on your own and make the appropriate exchanges for them. Once you convert your dollar bills into something useful to them (i.e shoes, purses, flowers, chocolates, candies, drinks, gifts, dinners, tickets, but certainly not power tools) they will allow



you to have some "credit," or "lives." Then you must play by the rules of their game. Be wary of the handful of women that, like malfunctioning arcade games, will eat your tokens. Unfortunately, they do not wear "Out of order" signs.

Also, remember that different games require more or less tokens, and yield longer or shorter turns depending on their quality. Some of the best games take more tokens, but some of the

highest priced are short-lived and stupid. Sometimes you luck out and find that candy machine in the corner that lets you play until you win for just one coin. Sometimes, you really suck at a game and you can't win any tickets, no matter how many coins you pump into it. And then, rarely, you find that game where, as if it was built for you, tickets roll out in endless streams.

As you leave the arcade for the day you claim that mini-moped on the top shelf for 350,000 tickets.

Sorry, analogy out of control. Jokes aside I've also

known a lot of great women that hardly care about money or things, and even some that refused to let me pay more than half the time. Many men worry about being perceived as cheap, so there's a good chance that when they can, they'll try to incorporate generosity with money into their charms. For those who actually are cheap, or just plain broke, never forget that most women will respond positively to your handmade gifts or special (free) plans as long as it's obvious

you've put effort into it. Also, don't be careless and scare a nice girl off by buying her a multi-thousand dollar tennis bracelet or wedding ring if you haven't known her for long enough. Gifts and dates should mirror the strength of your bond. And while money habits alone do not create love, the ways two people choose to deal with money do affect their compatibility, and can often make or break a relationship.

For questions, comments or to engage in two-player "Space Invaders" with Daniel, write to dgingras@calpoly.edu.

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by "Your name here"

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- Talk Back with Jack (Liberal view)
- The Right Way (Conservative view)

by Jack Ingram and Brian Eller

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by Tylor Middlestadt

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- Daniel Sexplains it All (Male view)
- Under the Covers with Janice (Female view)

by Daniel Gingras and Janice Edman

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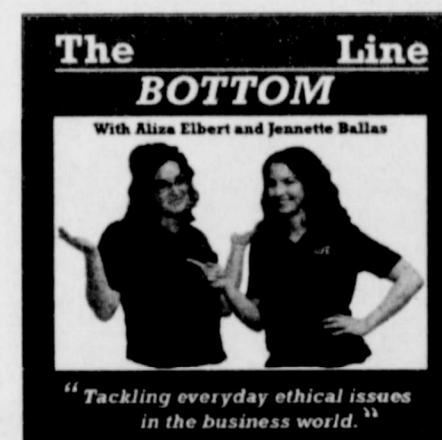
They've taken on President Baker, Scientology, love-making and Chuck Liddell. What will our humor columnists take on next?

by Mike Matzke and Doug Bruzzone

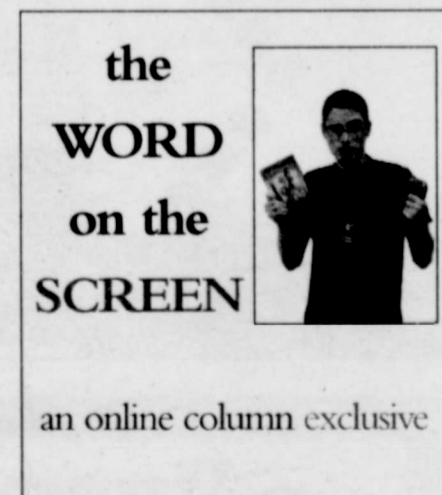
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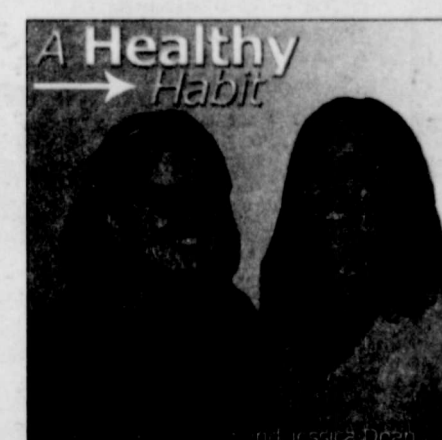
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COMMENTARY

SLO Film Festival looks to revive film industry

San Luis Obispo gets its yearly dose of cinema culture for the week of March 7 for the first SLO Film Festival.

This year expects to be promising with the premiere of Morgan Freeman's newest film "Lucky Number Slevin." It promises to be a must-see, especially with a resume like Freeman's. (That excludes "Chain Reaction" with Keanu Reeves in 1996.) Freeman also will be the 2006 recipient of the King Vidor award, given yearly to a distinguished Hollywood star.

On a more personal level, I highly enjoy the film festivals due to their original selections. To my enjoyment, they don't pick the overnumber movies of this generation that are either less-than-popular sequels or gut-wrenching remakes.

The current film industry is on a steep downward spiral to movie hell where the only savior is the likes of Stanley Kubrick to an early Steven Spielberg. George Lucas

too, in his early days of "THX 1138," can be considered a genius. But after finishing the "Star Wars" movies with Hayden Christensen in the lead, Lucas lost my respect.

Hollywood needs to stop butchering classics in horrific remakes, such as Peter Jackson's "King Kong," which may have had cool effects, but lacked the original feel of the English-dubbed 1933 original. If

Jackson doesn't watch out in future films, he will develop a repertoire of the overdone "epic film" genre.

Remakes are not the only problem.

Screenwriters need to write better scripts with non-cliché, sex-ridden plots that can be found in any California college town.

I enjoy movies with a bit more depth

The current film industry is on a steep downward spiral to movie hell where the only savior is the likes of Stanley Kubrick to an early Steven Spielberg.

that haunt you far after the film is over.

This is the sole reason why foreign or independent movies are my choice pick at Insomniac U, or movies at the Palm.

The SLO Film Festival is one of many across the world that previews the best in independent cinema.

Some of more critically-acclaimed movies have won festival awards at Cannes, Venice and Toronto. Movies like Jean-Luc Godard's "Notre Musique" have picked up nominations and praise for their original and emotional feel.

But independent films are not only popular at unknown festivals. Consider Ingmar Bergman's 1982 masterpiece, "Fanny and Alexander," which won "best foreign language film" at the 1983 Academy Awards.

With a majority of great movies, most made in pre-1998, there are fantastic movies few and far between in the upcoming months. Check out "Mysterious Skin" and "Brick," which both have potential for a great watch.

Nick Coury is a journalism senior and Mustang Daily staff writer, as well as an avid foreign film watcher and horror-movie junkie.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Failing to find humor in Mardi Gras

What does Mardi Gras really mean? To a very few, it is a celebration of sacrifice and rejoicing.

To many, many more, it is simply another excuse to get intoxicated and party without restraint.

What does Mardi Gras mean to me? It means treating a seemingly endless line of facial lacerations that will parade through the ER doors. It means wallowing in vomit and feces and urine the entire night, as unconscious, alcohol-poisoned partiers are carried into the ER. It means STD checks, HIV testing and dispensing multiple packs of "morning-after" pills to the young (mostly female) Mardi Gras devotees that awake in horror the next day to the realization that their drunken sexual escapades could have very real and dangerous consequences.

Sadly, it means watching hordes of intelligent, and usually honorable people voluntarily turn over their freedom of choice to a bottle of alcohol and the misguided notion that they do not have to be responsible for their actions.

Forgive me if I fail to find humor or frivolity in the suffering they inflict on themselves and others.

Steve Sainsbury

MD, Sierra Vista Regional Medical Center

Replace Cal Poly e-mail with Facebook messaging

One can hardly wonder campus without seeing students of all ages, hording the email stations checking to see if they have received any "request for friendships" on Facebook.

After the recent Cal Poly email scandals, we have been pondering about possible alternatives (senior project?). Without much research or contemplation, we propose Cal Poly re-establish the official form of communication to be Facebook messaging. Look at all the upsides- you can poke people, join ridiculous groups, it's 100 percent more reliable than Cal Poly e-mail, and our friend Brandon can continue to Facebook stalk people.

As the next generation, we have come to rely on electronic communi-

cation as a vital resource. On Wednesday, February 22, we basically took the day off because our sacred email was cut off. But our trusty friend Facebook was there just in case we needed to email our classmate (yes Facebook has that too).

Bob Detweiler, work with us here, get on Facebook and "poke" ITS for the students.

Joe Vaccaro

Electrical engineering senior

Blake Bolton

Industrial and technical studies graduate

Oracle has some serious explaining to do

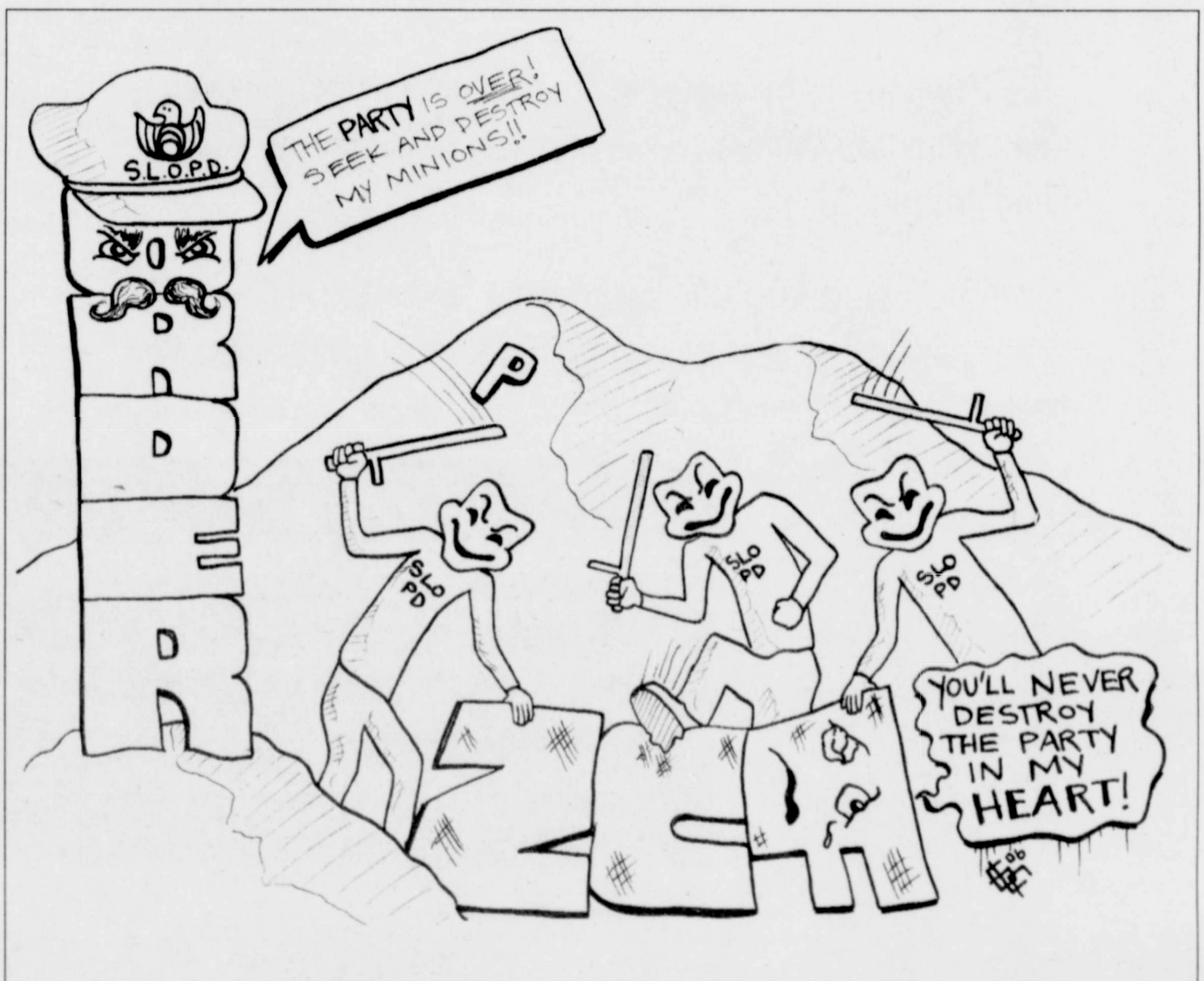
I am one of the countless people constantly annoyed with the poor management of our school's e-mail software. As a school nationally known for its computer science program, it is a complete disgrace that we have to undergo such treatment. I have completely given up using the school's e-mail. I am submitting this letter using gmail, something that is free and has never denied me access, because the school's email has been down the entire day.

Cal Poly's current e-mail system is a complete disaster. We are limited in how much storage we can have, 50 megabytes, and it is sporadic at best. Its interface is not user-friendly and buttons are located in odd places. I can understand a day or two of unrest when migrating, but not weeks and weeks of it working and it not working.

I think it is time that real questions get asked, such as: Why are we using a product whose upgrades cause grief? Why are we paying 120-plus ITS employees when we don't even get one of the few services students utilize? ITS provides the majority of students with Internet and e-mail. Faculty are even more affected because of their reliance on OpenTime, Oracle's scheduling program which allows access to a person's calendar and the ability to schedule meetings. Imagine not being able to rely on something as important as a day-to-day breakdown of what you have planned. It is time to scrap this abhorrent waste of money and time and move on. The money we could save could offset the fee increase this campus is currently seeking.

David Hansen

Environmental horticultural sciences freshman



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Greenland's surface is melting, according to U. Kansas and NASA research

Catherine Odson
UNIVERSITY DAILY KANSAN (U. KANSAS)

LAWRENCE, Kan. — Greenland's icy surface is melting. Researchers at the University of Kansas and NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, Calif., said Greenland's glaciers are liquefying at more than twice the rate they did a decade ago. Pannir Kanagaratnam, research assistant professor, cited research stemming from the KU Center for the Remote Sensing of Ice Sheets in an article he co-authored in the Feb. 17 issue of Science magazine.

Kanagaratnam and Eric Rignot, NASA researcher, said that if the glaciers were accelerating, those glaciers were contributing to rising sea level much more than believed. Their research centered on how the ice sheets changed over time and what effect those changes had on the ocean.

"We do not know how much of it is due to natural climate change and how much of it is due to human influence," Kanagaratnam said in a press release. "But the fact is that temperature is definitely rising, and there is a strong correlation between the temperature rise and sea level rise."

The amount of ice mass lost from the 21 largest glaciers was equivalent to one-tenth of Mount Everest. As a result, the sea level rose approximately half a millimeter last year, an increase from the .2-millimeter addition to the oceans in 1996. If the

Greenland glaciers melt completely, the sea level would rise seven meters, enough to cover low-lying areas like Miami.

"I think it is disconcerting to see the ice melting at such a rapid rate," Kanagaratnam said. "There is a large population living in the coastal areas and rising sea levels will affect them."

David Braaten, associate professor of geography, said the size of the ice sheets results in an enormous potential for rising sea levels. These changes could "really change the face of the planet in terms of land and ocean boundaries," he said.

With NASA reporting that 53 percent of Americans live along coastlines, the implications of rapid sea level change could be financially devastating.

"If it happens slowly, I think society can adapt," Braaten said. "If it happens very rapidly, it will be very hard to adapt. It doesn't look like the long-term change is part of the picture."

Braaten said he didn't have the answer to dealing with the rising sea levels. The Center for Remote Sensing of Ice Sheets is developing new models, maps and computer models to better understand the changes and predict what the future holds.

Director Prasad Gogineni started researching glaciers in 1993. He said, KU has published glacier research since 1997, which brings news coverage for both the center and the University.

Bike patrol gives Cal State Sacramento cops edge on crime

Nick Lozito
THE STATE HORNET (CAL STATE SACRAMENTO)

SACRAMENTO — When Jack Brown, 20, and Acelia Soto, 18, were arrested for car burglary on Jan. 25 at California State University-Sacramento, it wasn't a result of a tip or standard vehicle patrolling. Police officers on bicycles noticed several cars had been broken into and called for back up. Only then were Brown and Soto arrested.

An officer in a patrol car would not have noticed the same things that the officers on the bicycles did, said Sgt. Kelly Clark of the campus police.

While Sacramento State has always had a police bicycle program of some type, more emphasis is being placed on it this semester.

"The biggest benefit to us is it gets our officers into the campus community," Clark said. "It's just been an awesome program."

There are now three officers assigned to the bicycles, an increase over recent semesters.

All officers assigned to the bicycles volunteered for it and they took a 40-hour training program to get certified. "Most are enthusiasts already," Clark said.

Paul Skrinini is one of the bicycle officers and said he feels he is doing the right thing. He recently caught someone with a stolen bicy-

cle on campus in a place where a patrol car could not have been.

"I can approach people faster than in other ways," Skrinini said.

Skrinini said he patrols the parking lots at night and feels it has increased the student safety.

"I can see it works," he said.

Clark and Skrinini both emphasized the faster response times offered by bicycles. When traffic is bad, bicycles can maneuver past cars and reach a scene faster. Skrinini said he can be anywhere on campus in a matter of minutes, much faster than officers on foot.

Clark said the program also makes officers more approachable to students, and the bicycles complement the vehicle and foot patrols well.

While patrol cars cost around \$45,000, bicycles are relatively cheap and don't require fuel or oil changes and rarely need repairs. The cars have expensive computers and Global Positioning Systems, but the most high-tech items on the new bicycles are lights and sirens.

The only foreseeable downside to the program, Clark said, is the possibility of crashes and injuries, but the officers are required to wear safety gear.

The students feel more secure, Skrinini said. He said that recently on the Guy West Bridge a student thanked him for doing his job. "It's a great reward," Skrinini said.

International
briefs

GUINSAUGON, Philippines (AP) — Rescue workers were thwarted Wednesday in a last-ditch effort to find an elementary school buried by a devastating landslide when a two-ton drill brought in by U.S. Marines couldn't be used and heavy rain forced officials to call off the day's search.

The drill is capable of digging 180 feet deep, and the school is believed to have been buried by up to 100 feet of mud and rock. It went unused when U.S. Marines couldn't find the poles needed to brace it.

The search was then suspended Wednesday evening because officials said rain made conditions too dangerous, with a number of holes that had been dug in the unstable mud collapsing.

BELGRADE, Serbia-Montenegro (AP) — Serbian authorities were negotiating the surrender of top war crimes fugitive Gen. Ratko Mladic, security officials said, though a government spokesman on Wednesday denied reports he had been arrested.

A senior state security official told The Associated Press that Mladic — indicted by the U.N. war crimes tribunal at The Hague, Netherlands, for some of the worst atrocities in the Bosnian war — had been located and that authorities were trying to persuade him to give himself up.

TEHRAN, Iran (AP) — Iran on Wednesday offered to help finance a Palestinian Authority run by the Hamas militant group, state radio said in a report prompting Israel to warn it would do all it legally could to stop the Palestinians from receiving the money.

The secretary of Iran's Supreme National Security Council, Ali Larijani, announced the offer after a meeting with Khaled Mashaal, the political leader of Hamas, the report said.

Bombs strike one of Iraq's most revered Shiite shrines

Ziad Khalaf
ASSOCIATED PRESS

SAMARRA, Iraq — Assaultants wearing uniforms detonated two bombs inside one of Iraq's most revered Shiite shrines Wednesday, blowing the top off its landmark golden dome and spawning mass protests and reprisal attacks against dozens of Sunni mosques.

The brazen assault — the third major attack against Shiite targets in as many days — threatened to enflame religious passions as talks among sectarian and ethnic parties on a new government have bogged down.

No group claimed responsibility for the 6:55 a.m. attack on the Askariya shrine in Samarra, 60 miles north of Baghdad, but suspicion fell on Sunni extremist groups.

A Shiite political leader and many demonstrators also blamed the United States and its criticism of Shiite-led security forces that have been blamed for alleged abuses against Sunnis.

President Bush urged restraint among rival religious factions and pledged American help to restore the shrine.

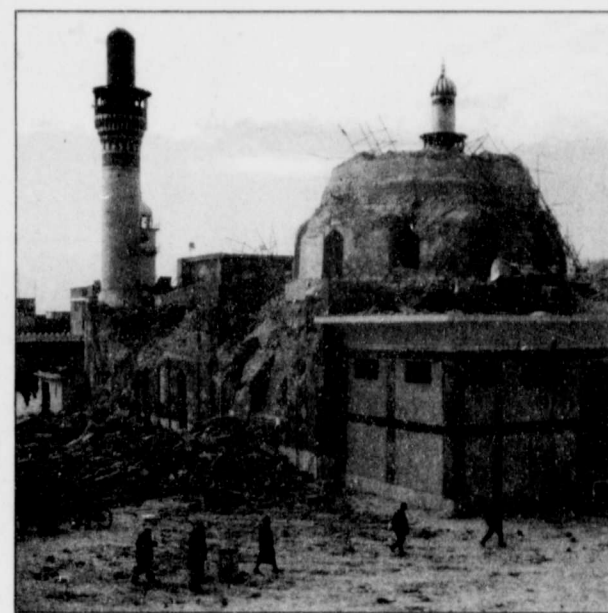
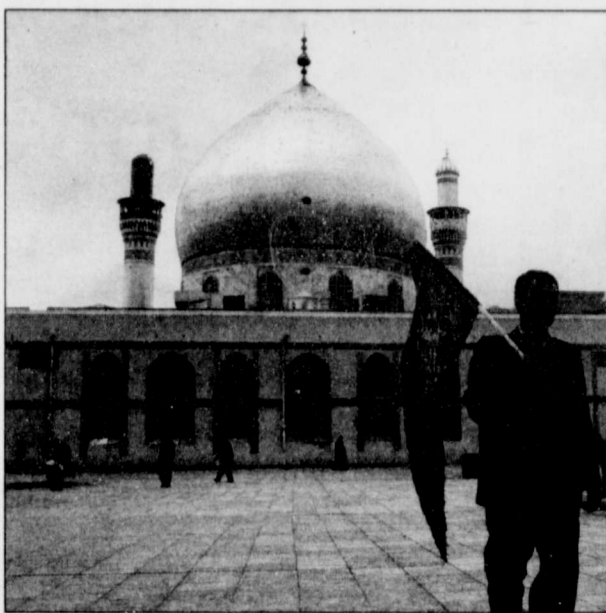
"The terrorists in Iraq have again proven that they are enemies of all faiths and of all humanity," the president said in a written statement. "The world must stand united against them, and steadfast behind the people of Iraq."

U.S. Ambassador Zalmay Khalilzad and the top American commander in Iraq, Gen. George Casey, called the bombings a deliberate attempt to foment sectarian strife and warned it was a "critical moment for Iraq."

Shiite leaders called for calm, but militants attacked Sunni mosques and a gunfight broke out between Shiite militiamen and guards at the offices of a Sunni political party in Basra. About 500 soldiers were sent to Sunni neighborhoods in Baghdad to prevent clashes between the sects, army Capt. Jassim al-Wahash said.

Shiite spiritual leader Grand Ayatollah Ali al-Sistani sent instructions to his followers forbidding attacks on Sunni mosques, especially the major ones in Baghdad. He called for seven days of mourning, his aides said.

Al-Sistani later and Iraqi Vice



The Askariya shrine in Samarra, 60 miles north of Baghdad, is seen in these two pictures dated Feb. 2, 2004, left, and Feb. 22, 2006.

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President Adel Abdul-Mahdi later hinted that religious militias could be given a bigger security role if the government is not capable of protecting holy shrines like the one attacked in Samarra.

The Iraqi Islamic Party, the country's largest Sunni political group, said at least 60 mosques were attacked, burned or taken over by Shiites. A leading Sunni politician, Tariq al-Hashimi, urged clerics and politicians to calm the situation "before it spins out of control."

A government statement said "several suspects" had been detained in the attack on the mosque in Samarra.

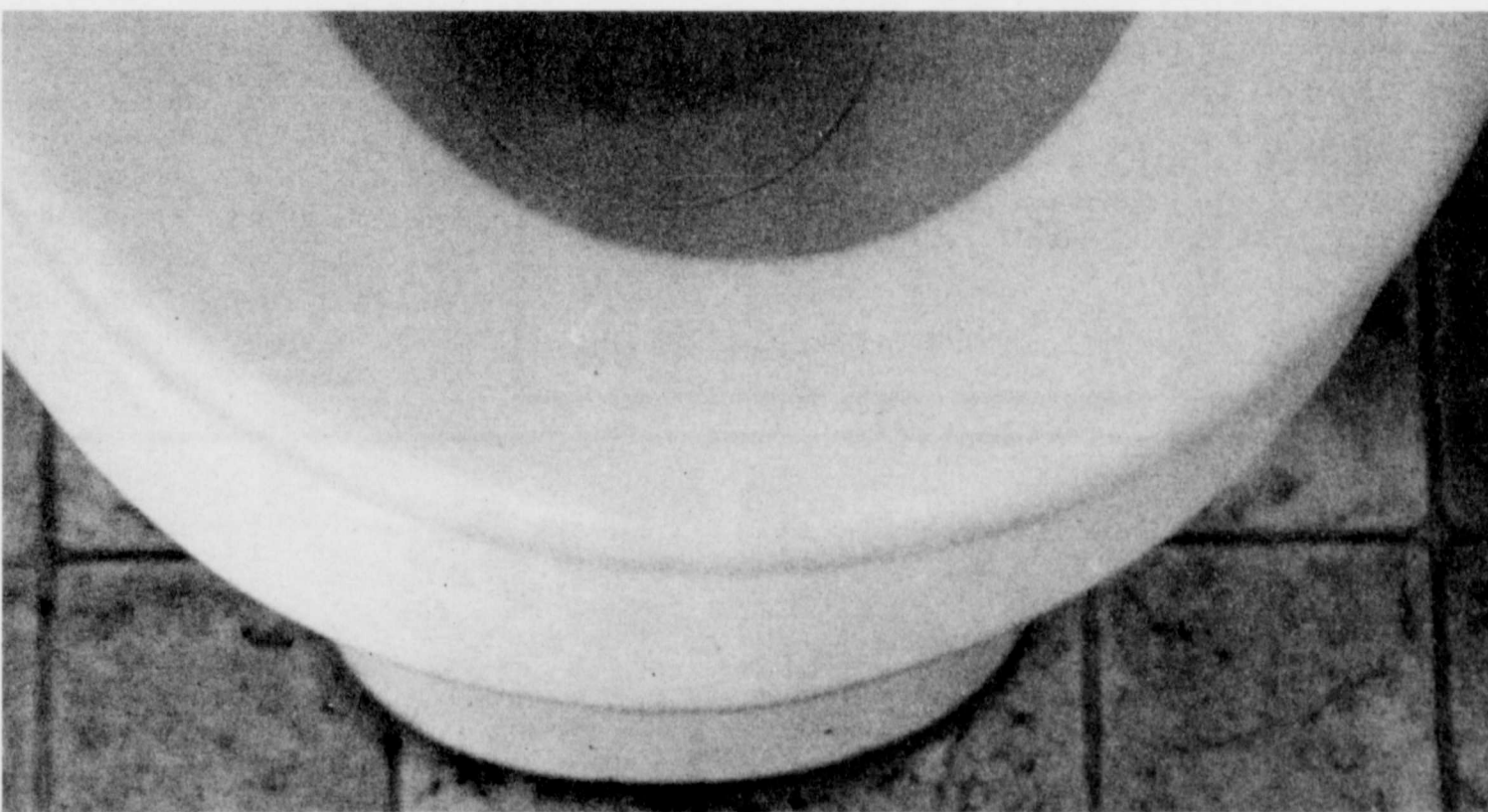
The Askariya shrine contains the tombs of two revered Shiite imams, descendants of the Prophet Muhammad who are considered by Shiites to be among his successors.

The Interior Ministry said four men, one wearing a military uniform and three clad in black, entered the mosque and detonated two bombs, one of which collapsed the dome into a crumbly mess, leaving just traces of gold showing through the rubble.

Part of the shrine's tiled northern wall also was damaged. Police said Wednesday afternoon no casualties had been found as Iraqis picked through the debris, pulling out artifacts.

U.S. and Iraqi forces surrounded the shrine and searched nearby houses. Five police officers responsible for protecting the mosque were taken into custody, said Col. Bashar Abdullah, chief of police commandos.

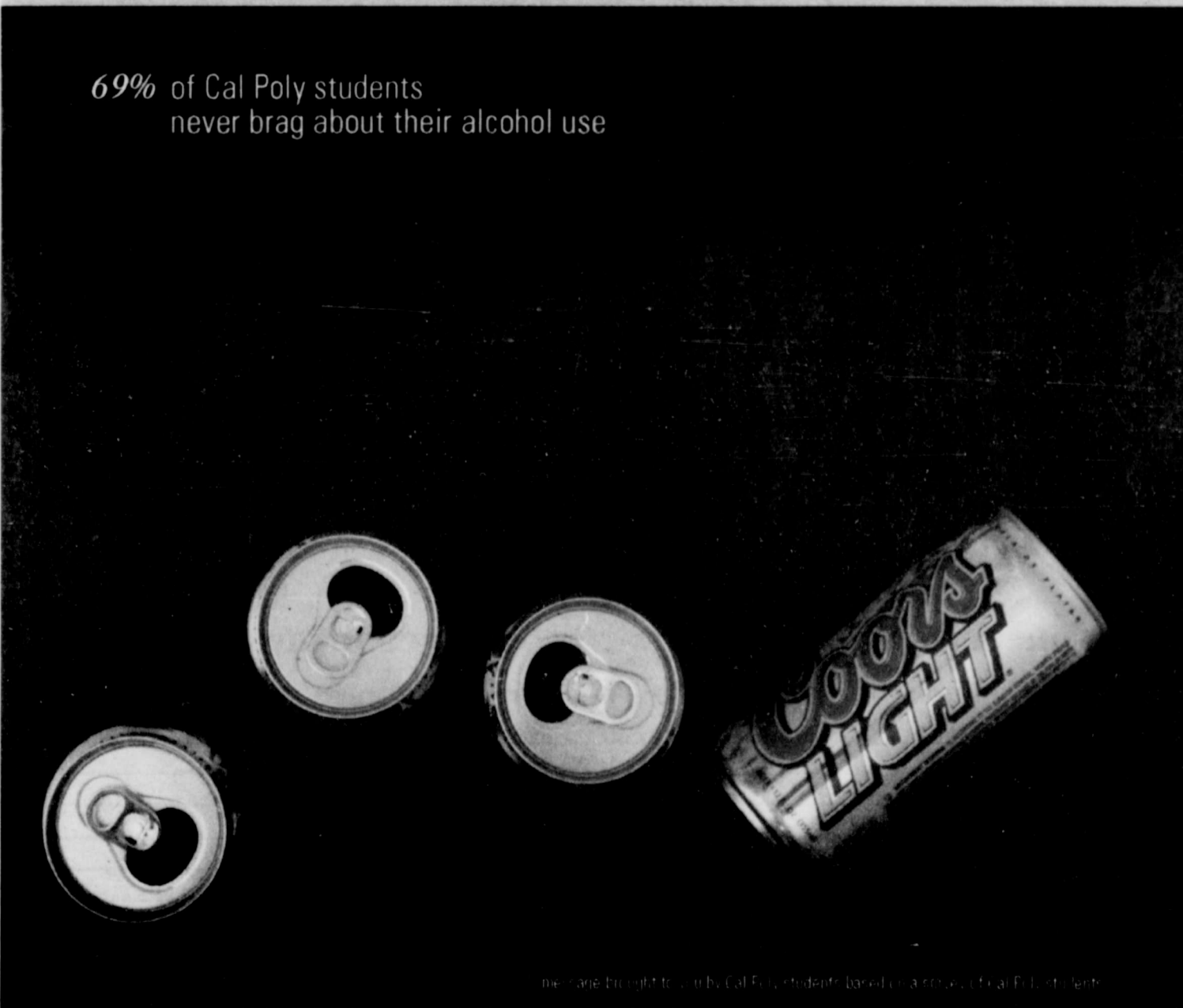
Demonstrators then gathered near the shrine, waving Iraqi flags, Shiite religious banners and copies of the Muslim holy book, the Quran.



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Bank of England: Armed robbers steal equivalent of \$43.5 million

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LONDON — A gang of armed robbers impersonating police officers tied up employees at a southern England security company and stole the equivalent of \$43.5 million, the Bank of England said Wednesday in disclosing one of the largest bank heists in British history.

The money, about 25 million pounds in bank notes, was stolen overnight from a cash center at Tonbridge in Kent county, a bank spokesman said on condition of anonymity, according to bank policy.

No one was injured in the robbery.

The bank spokesman also said it was possible that more than \$43.5 million was stolen, but the final figure will not be known until the security company completes its accounting.

The heist at Securitas Cash Management Ltd. began when some of the thieves, dressed as police officers, stopped the firm's manager as he drove home Tuesday. The manager got into their car, which he believed to be a police vehicle, and was handcuffed by the robbers, authorities said.

At the same time, another team of thieves went to the manager's house, saying he had been in an accident. The men convinced his wife and young son to leave the home and go with them.

The first team, with the manager in the car, met up with a white van and another group of thieves. The manager was placed in the van, which then headed toward the Tonbridge depot, police said.

The manager allegedly was told to cooperate or his family would be hurt.

Early Wednesday morning, the thieves in the van headed to the Tonbridge depot to meet up with accomplices driving a large white truck. The thieves tied up 15 employees and started loading cash into the truck, police said.

It is believed the thieves were in the depot for more than an hour before driving off with the cash, police said.

About an hour later, the staff managed to escape and call police.

"The staff were all very shook by what has happened," said Detective Superintendent Paul Gladstone of the Kent police serious and organized crime unit. "This was a traumatic ordeal for the manager of the security depot, his family and all of

the staff who worked there. They have all coped extremely well in the circumstances, when faced with threats and a gang of armed men."

In December 2004, a raid at the Northern Bank's Belfast headquarters netted thieves the equivalent of \$46.1 million — the biggest cash theft in British history. Three men have been charged in connection with that robbery.

The Governor of the Bank of England has asked for a review of the security arrangements for the storage of bank notes. The bank spokesman said Securitas had already reimbursed them, and there will be no cost to Britain's taxpayers.

The single-floored, squat brown building is windowless and just a 5-minutes walk from the center of Tonbridge, a small market town 30 miles southeast of London.

The building, on a small industrial estate, is surrounded by 6-foot-high steel fencing, and security cameras cover every entrance. Steel traps are in place to prevent unwanted vehicles entering the compound, which acts as a car park for employees. There are no signs to indicate the building stores vast amounts of money.



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on the Central Coast and because there is heavy competition between the 21 universities in California that play Division I basketball.

"There is only one major university in the state of Minnesota, and they only take two or three local guys each year because they play in the Big Ten," Bromley said.

As a result, many players from Minnesota entertain the idea of going to school in another state to play basketball.

Hanson, a junior forward from Plymouth, Minn., first heard of Cal Poly through Ohnstad.

"I had never even seen the campus until I moved here, but I heard so many good things about Cal Poly

from him that it seemed right," Hanson said.

Manley, a sophomore forward from Minnetonka, Minn., ultimately decided on Cal Poly for its renowned academics, among other things.

"I had never heard of San Luis Obispo or Cal Poly until coach Bromley saw me play at a tournament in Kansas City during a summer in high school," Manley said.

"Then after I put Cal Poly on my list and I was looking at schools, I decided I really wanted to go somewhere with a good business program and Cal Poly had that," he said.

Another key connection in Manley's case was that he went to the same high school as former Mustang basketball standout Shane Schilling, who transferred to Cal Poly from the University of Minnesota.

"Shane was a senior in high school

when I was in eighth grade, but we knew each other well, and when I was considering Cal Poly I talked to him and he helped me with the decision a little bit," Manley said.

Thurrow, a sophomore center from Minneapolis, was on the same AAU team as Manley when they played in the Kansas City tournament, and was later recruited by Bromley. Though Thurrow didn't happen to have any acquaintances who were Cal Poly alumni, Bromley's character impressed him enough to become a Mustang.

"Coach Bromley's a great guy, and he cares about you as a person, not just as a player," Thurrow said.

Busch, a freshman guard from St. Paul, caught Bromley's attention while playing in a tournament in Indianapolis.

"When I actually saw him play, I

knew I wanted him to come to Cal Poly," Bromley said. "I loved how hard he played and how he shared the ball."

"Coach Bromley really made me want to come here, just with the kind of guy he is," Busch said.

"My job is to sell out the gym, win basketball games, and graduate all the players, but to me there's more," Bromley said. "I care about all facets of their lives, not just basketball. I want them to be successful in life with whatever endeavor they choose."

Even with good coaches and good players, many student-athletes have a hard time going so far away from home at just 18-years-old, making the out-of-state process risky.

"When recruiting out-of-state players, you always have to worry

about them being homesick, but we're an extended family and we're all here for each other," Bromley said.

As for the differences between Minnesota's Twin Cities and California's San Luis Obispo, there are quite a few.

"The weather here doesn't change that often, it's just sunny every day so it feels like time is standing still," Busch said. "In Minnesota, it goes back and forth really quickly."

"No one's heard of tri tip there," Thurrow added.

Regardless of the changes in weather and vocabulary that Cal Poly's out-of-state players have had to adapt to, they have found a second home in San Luis Obispo; the men's basketballs are 30-inches in circumference and the baskets are 10-feet high, just like Minnesota.

The New York Times Crossword

Edited by Will Shortz

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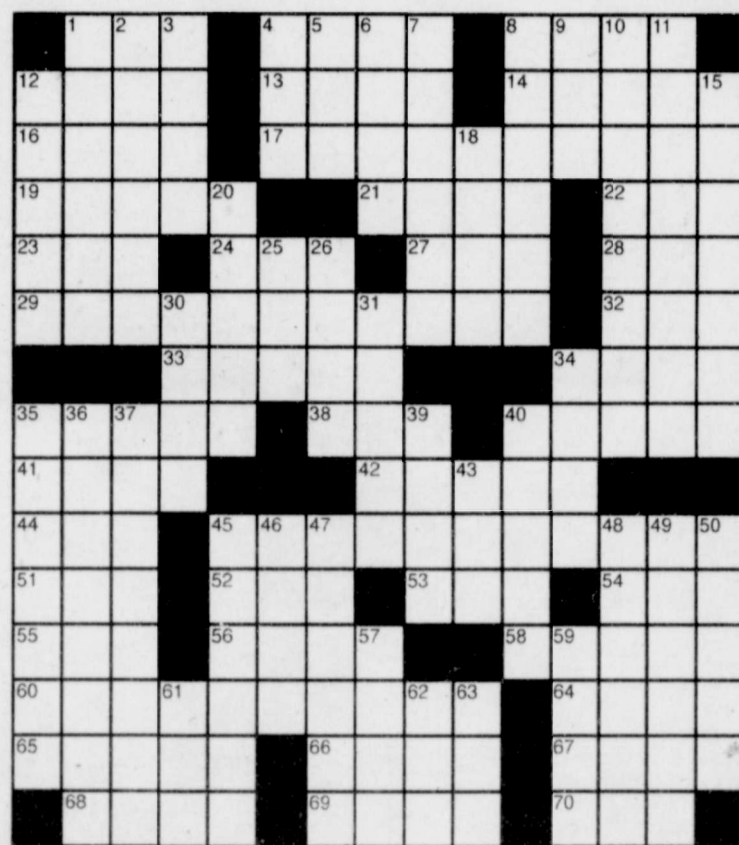
ACROSS

- 1 Neighbor of Bulg.
- 4 Time on the job
- 8 Big name in morning TV
- 12 Joe Pesci title role
- 13 Silly
- 14 It's heard coming and going
- 16 ___ all-time high
- 17 Scary
- 19 Masked fighters
- 21 Little annoyance
- 22 Squeeze (out)
- 23 J.F.K. info
- 24 Word with show or know
- 27 Important time
- 28 "Too-ra-loo-ra-loo-___"
- 29 1952 Gene Kelly film
- 32 In the past
- 33 ___ position

- 34 Hall-of-Famer Musial
- 35 Hoedown seats
- 38 Fella
- 40 Going out with
- 41 Belgian river
- 42 Going nowhere fast
- 44 Chart-topper
- 45 Biblical opening
- 51 Snack, say
- 52 Title for una dama: Abbr.
- 53 Ancient royal
- 54 Grandpa Simpson
- 55 Despot of old
- 56 Othello villain
- 58 Navarro of "Ben-Hur"
- 60 Onomatopoeic Sinatra album title
- 64 Call at a deli
- 65 Senators' attire
- 66 "What Is to Be Done?" writer

DOWN

- 67 No-win situations?
- 68 Not just tehee
- 69 Classic brand with an oval logo
- 70 UFO pilots
- 1 Barker of TV/ movie fame
- 2 Painting the town red
- 3 Avian talker
- 4 Does bad
- 5 Send a message in Morse code, e.g.
- 6 Diamond unit
- 7 Many a Britney Spears fan
- 8 Keep up
- 9 Subj. in which $2x + 3 = 9$ is solved
- 10 Stomach
- 11 "Not a chance, bud!"
- 12 Ones blowing in the wind
- 15 Almost eternal
- 18 Reid of "American Pie"
- 20 Has one's moment in the sun
- 25 Giant of note
- 26 "Pow!"
- 30 Read between the lines
- 31 "The Graduate" girl
- 34 Take effect
- 35 From memory
- 36 Turkey's place



Puzzle by Kyle Mahowald

- 37 Releasing one's anger
- 39 Cruise accommodations
- 40 How sweet it is!
- 43 It may accompany a coll. application
- 45 Many a news source
- 46 Practice, practice, practice
- 47 Try to knock down
- 48 "Anything your little heart desires!"
- 49 Desk sights ... or an apt title for this puzzle
- 50 Lavatory label
- 57 Poetic tributes
- 59 It's put in a pot
- 61 Tiny battery
- 62 Roadside stops
- 63 N.F.L. Hall-of-Famer Marchetti

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Continuing with the Grand finale festivities, the game will also be

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For more information regarding the highflying action Mott Gym will host this weekend, visit www.gopoly.com.

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CAL POLY VS. UC RIVERSIDE, 7 P.M. @ MOTT GYM

Cal Poly's basketball pipeline to Minnesota

San Luis Obispo is becoming a second home for Minnesota prep-basketball stars with four on the 2005-06 Cal Poly roster

Nick Burt
SPECIAL TO THE DAILY

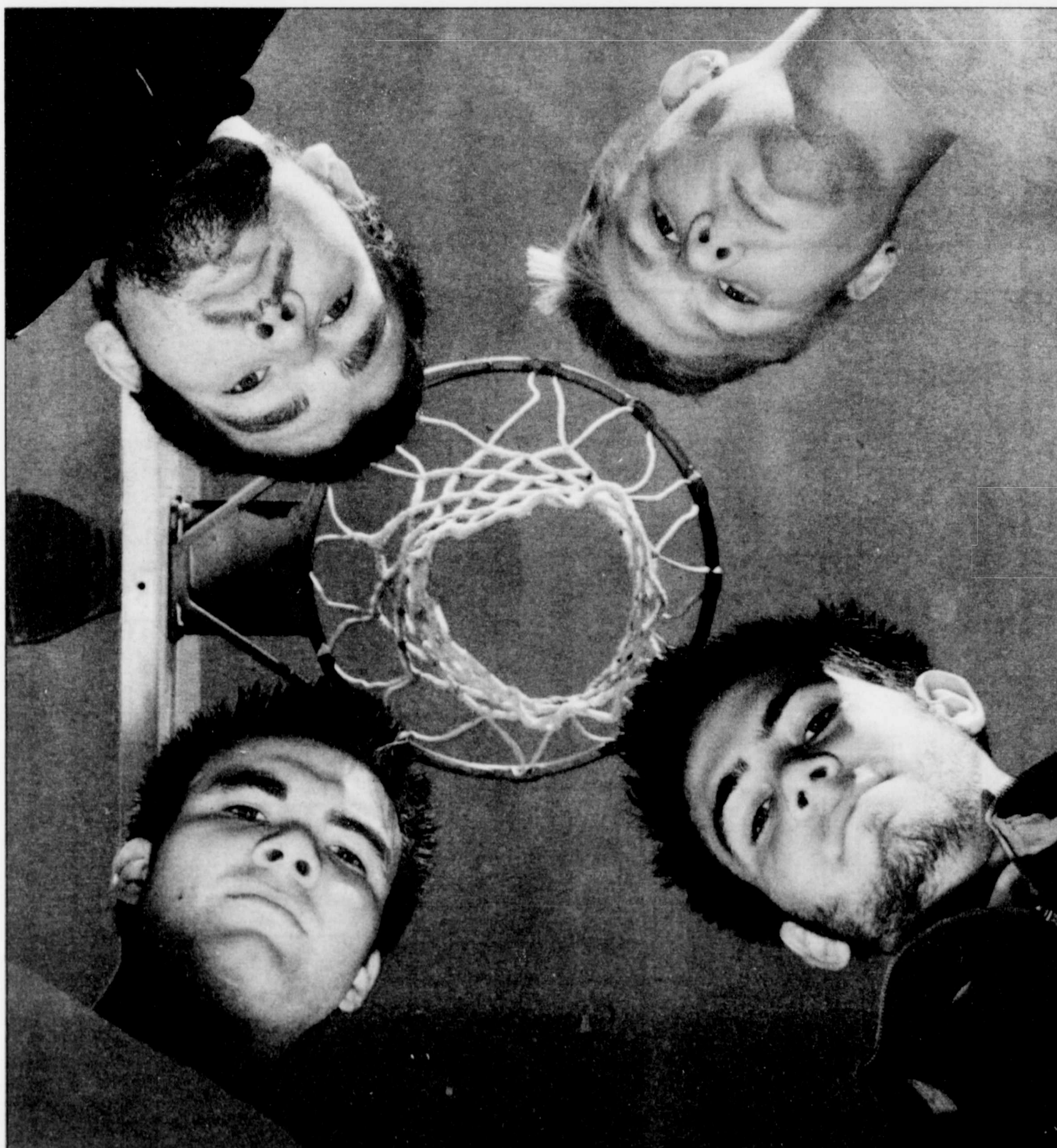
About 2,000 miles northeast of San Luis Obispo lie the Twin Cities of Minneapolis and St. Paul, where the average February temperature is around 25 degrees. Although it would seem to have no relation to Cal Poly, this Minnesotan metropolitan area has produced four of Cal Poly's 17 current men's basketball players, as well as several others in past seasons. Cal Poly's own Matt Hanson, Zach Thurow, John Manley and Travis Busch now enjoy California's sunny, 65-degree February days.

It is very unusual for a team in the Big West conference to have such an arsenal of out-of-state players. Including the four from Minnesota, Cal Poly has more out-of-state players than any other team in the Big West, boasting eight total.

"It all started with Mitch Ohnstad (from Faribault, Minn.), who we saw at an AAU tournament in Las Vegas, along with Chris Bjorklund (Cal Poly's all-time leading scorer from Baxter, Minn.)," coach Kevin Bromley said. "Then we got to know their AAU coaches and high school coaches, and a pipeline started."

Bromley's strong connection with the Minnesota basketball scene over the last seven years has been very beneficial to Cal Poly, as there is a shortage of local talent to draw from

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Clockwise from the top left: Zack Thurow, Matt Hanson, Travis Busch and John Manley didn't know each other while playing high school basketball in Minnesota, but have bonded as teammates at Cal Poly.

The men's basketball team plays a pair of key home games this weekend with Big West tournament implications attached

Justin Fivella
MUSTANG DAILY

The men's basketball team will host UC Riverside and Cal State Fullerton for their last home games of the 2005-06 season this weekend. The back-to-back games begin with the Mustangs facing the Highlanders on Thursday, Feb. 23, and then the Titans on Saturday, Feb. 25.

Coming off the devastating school-low 64-37 loss against UCSB on Feb. 15 followed by the narrow 89-85 loss to Saint Mary's just three days later, the Mustangs are looking to finish their season strong.

Led by Titan senior forward David Misko, who recently scored a career-high 22 points in the Highlanders' recent non-conference win against Southern Missouri, UC Riverside promises to be a worthy opponent against the Mustangs.

On Saturday, Cal State Fullerton will wrap up its northerly vacation up U.S. Highway 101 in Mott Gym against the Mustangs. The Titans are coming off an easy victory as they cruised to a 89-63 non-conference victory over Eastern Washington University on Feb. 18. The Mustangs will have to keep a close eye on Titan junior Bobby Brown as he posted a strong 25 points last game.

Going out with a bang, the men's basketball games will be broadcast live on the Internet through a CSTV partnership. The games can be viewed at <http://www.cstv.com/ot/bigwest->

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SPORTS BALK



WITH BRAD

Who knew that Presidents' Day weekend was such a mecca of sporting events? All weekend I was treated to the Winter Olympics, where I got to see speed skaters Chad Hedrick and Shani Davis bicker like school boys over Davis' decision not to compete in a team pursuit race that supposedly cost Hedrick (I mean America) a medal. Only to have them both come up short on Tuesday to an Italian, Enrico Fabris, in the 1500m.

There was the NBA All-Star Weekend, where I had the good fortune of watching team basketball at its finest. By team basketball I mean, of course, failed alley-oops and endless one-on-one isolation plays.

There was even the Daytona 500, where Tony

Stewart raced like a true politician, predicting before the race that someone could get killed if NASCAR didn't regulate aggressive driving at Daytona, then being penalized for aggressive driving during the actual race. No word yet from Stewart on whether a lead foot actually tastes better in your mouth.

With all of these major events going on in the world of sports, I was having a tough time deciding on which deserved the most of my criticizing I mean, attention.

However, lucky for those mentioned above, I stumbled upon one of the greatest inventions to ever grace the internet: The Trade Machine. While browsing through espn.com, I came across this tool that allows you to be a virtual general manager and

make trades between your favorite NBA teams. Potential trades are always floating around in the wrinkles of my rattled brain, and The Trade Machine finally gave me an outlet. Excited would not begin to describe my level of enthusiasm upon my discovery of this magical tool.

Instantly apparent are the factors every GM must consider: individual salaries, contract length, trade restrictions and the overall salary cap for each team. You find that in almost all trades, the actual basketball talent of the players becomes secondary. A GM has to settle for equal value, not equal talent (taking into consideration the financial obligations each deal brings or releases you from).

Be sure to check out the rest of the Sports Balk at www.mustangdaily.net

PAC-10 PREPARATIONS BEGIN AS SEASON NEARS ITS END

WRESTLING

Mustang wrestling fans have been left to wonder all season just how good the 2006 Mustangs could be with a full and healthy lineup. Those questions will be answered as Cal Poly takes a three-match winning streak into the Pac-10 championships this weekend with No. 11 Chad Mendes (125) and No. 12 Matt Monteiro (197) back in action. The Mustangs are also equipped with No. 5 Darrell Vasquez, who has yet to lose a Pac-10 match this season; No. 17 Ryan Halsey, who seems to be becoming more dominant every time he steps on the mat; and Jeff Owens (149) who has made a habit of beating No. 1 ranked Pac-10 wrestlers this season. Add a handful of Mustangs like David Roberts (141), Robb Maxwell (165) and Nick Hernandez (174), who are more than capable of putting together a string of upsets, and the idea of Cal Poly leaving Stanford with a Pac-10 championship does not seem too far-fetched. ~Sports Information Report

MUSTANGS STAY UNBEATEN IN BIG WEST PLAY

W. TENNIS

Cal Poly women's tennis stayed perfect in conference play, Monday after a battle with unbeaten, Big West No. 68 UC Santa Barbara netted the Mustangs a 4-3 win. The Mustangs were led by a gutsy performance by senior Sheila Lewis, who faced a 0-4 deficit in the third set of her match, only to come back and win, cementing the upset victory for Cal Poly. With the win, the Mustangs improve to 4-4 overall and 3-0 in the Big West.

The Mustangs fell behind early in singles action as Samantha Waller was defeated by Murielle Gruenig 7-5, 6-1 in the No. 1 spot, while Danon Beatty suffered a loss to Chelsea Glynn, 6-3, 6-4. Cal Poly came storming back however, as the Mustangs won the next three out of four matches.

Cal Poly returns to action Feb. 28, hosting Furman at 1:30 p.m.

~Sports Information Report